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work for one or two surgeons only, they soon become accustomed to each other, and there is no confusion or misunderstanding.

It is very necessary for the anæsthetist, as well as for the hospital, to keep a record of the patient's condition before and after the operation, especially the condition of the kidneys, the lungs, heart, and post-operative nausea, as these questions are constantly coming up in statistical reports.

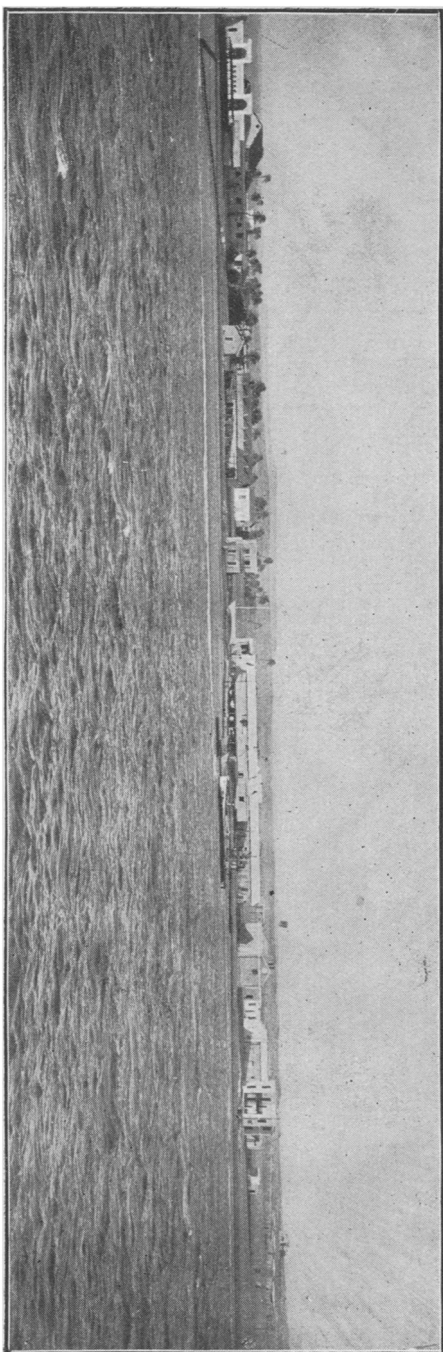
At the largest surgical clinics in this country especially trained anæsthetists are employed, who are nurses. The surgeons recognizing the fact that as they do not aspire to be surgeons, it is not difficult for them to give their whole attention to the anæsthetics, which is certainly enough responsibility for one person to assume. And as one pioneer surgeon in the West put it, "In the next decade, I hope to see anæsthetics administered exclusively by nurses."

WORLD'S LARGEST QUARANTINE STATION

By FELIX J. KOCH

ON the Gulf of Suez stands the busy port of Tor, interesting from the fact that here is to be found the largest and best-equipped quarantine station in the world. It has been erected by international co-operation, at great expense, for the benefit of Mohammedan pilgrims returning from the sacred city of Mecca. The whole of the enormous area given over to the station is enclosed by a strong and high wire fence, besides being guarded by hundreds of Turkish soldiers who are quartered here during the time of detention. The large compound contains fumigating establishments, hospitals, storehouses, and hundreds upon hundreds of one-story stone structures arranged in rows and groups. Here the thousands of Mecca pilgrims find lodging; but in cases of serious epidemic, when the houses cannot contain all the pilgrims—tents, which are reserved for this purpose, are pitched. The different parts of the great enclosure are connected by means of a tramway, and communication is further facilitated by telephone. There is also a large telegraph office and water works.

Often from 7,000 to 10,000 of "The Faithful" are seen in detention here. In 1904 there were as many as 17,000 here at one time. As there must elapse ten days without a death before the pilgrims are allowed to proceed on their journey, and there were many deaths among



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this great multitude, so that it appeared as though they never would be able to proceed, the pilgrims agreed that for the next ten days there should be no more deaths; but after their departure, a strong wind, blowing and shifting the sand where the tents had stood, revealed the ghastly sight of the remains of several pilgrims, who, having died, had been buried in the sand under the tents by their comrades.

Tor contains some fine shops, a large government house, barracks, a Christian church, and a monastery. Curiously enough, the greater portion of its inhabitants are Christians.

A RESIDENT NURSE IN A SOUTHERN COLLEGE

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WHEN the opportunity offered to become resident nurse in a southern Methodist college, I thought of the sleepless nights of private nursing—of the restful glimpses of the college campus that I had had in passing on the train, and my mind was made up. Of the duties, I knew practically nothing, except the vague feeling that it would not be “very hard.”

On opening day I arrived with the great rush of girls. They poured in for three days on every train—the jolly, happy lot,—old girls welcoming each other, new ones a little dazed, teachers greeting one another, and the happy confusion of getting settled into rooms and class work.

Athens College was founded in 1843—and by the way, it is the second oldest chartered college for women in the world, the oldest being in Macon, Ga.

It was mid-September, and the evening hour before sunset was most inspiring. The body of the house is colonial, with huge columns across the front rising forty feet. It fronts west, and the sun sets in special splendor when viewed through the ancient oaks and tall pines of the campus. And then there are the girls—always the happy, laughing girls, arm in arm, strolling about, recounting vacation experiences.

I found my department to consist of a bedroom, bath, hall, and quite a good-sized room with *Infirmery* marked on the door. It is the third floor annex, and can be isolated if necessary. The five little white beds looked quite inadequate to care for the possible sick of over two hundred students; but there flashed through my mind the wonderful